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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHARLOTTE DIVISION

MICHAEL SMITH,

Plaintiff,

v.

WAFFLE HOUSE, INC.

and

HILLCREST FOODS, INC.

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 3:04cv638-~~M~~ C

ORDER

This matter came before the Court on the joint motion of the parties for a 60-day stay of proceedings in light of a potential resolution of this case and other cases involving similar claims against franchise-operated Waffle House restaurants. The parties believe that the stay will improve the opportunity for resolving the remaining details of a possible negotiated resolution and will conserve their clients' resources and promote judicial economy.

The Court finds good cause for the Motion and it is hereby GRANTED.

The parties are instructed to inform the Court as to the status of negotiations within 60 days of the date of the parties' motion.

So ordered this 12th day of ~~September~~ ^{October}, 2005.


Judge, United States District Court